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However, Ogatsu, like Arai, does NOT disclose or suggest the aforementioned aspects of the present application of using a color profile provided in a host image forming apparatus to convert input color data, in a RGB color space, to converted color data, in a device-dependent RGB color space of the host image forming apparatus.

Such aspects contribute to a solution to a problem that, among a plurality of image forming apparatuses having different dither matrixes, even when a tone of each single color of CMYK is corrected at high accuracy, a color becomes different when RGB is reproduced from mixing/blending CMYK. Conventional approaches which use CMYK profiles cannot solve such problem.

Further, it should be noted that printers typically use a substractive color mixing method, and normally, do <u>not</u> have a profile for converting RGB to RGB.

Applicant submits that the cited art, even when considered along with common sense and common knowledge to one skilled in the art, does *NOT* render unpatentable the aforementioned aspects of the present application.

Accordingly, applicant respectfully submits that independent claims 34, 51, 52 and 57, and the claims depending therefrom, are allowable over the cited art.

In view of the remarks hereinabove, applicant submits that the application is now allowable, and earnestly solicits the allowance of the application.

If a petition for an extension of time is required to make this response timely, this paper should be considered to be such a petition. The Patent Office is hereby authorized to charge any required fees in connection with this amendment, and to credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

If a telephone interview could advance the prosecution of this application, the Examiner

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is respectfully requested to call the undersigned attorney.

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